

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1000

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Russ Plummer on the occasion of his 500th career victory as Hendersonville High School's Head Soccer Coach.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize those coaches who have performed their duties with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm and who, through their magnificent accomplishments, have brought honor to this State; and

WHEREAS, in his seventeenth year at the helm of Hendersonville High School's boys' and girls' varsity soccer programs, Russ Plummer is one such estimable coach who has distinguished himself as one of the most successful high school soccer coaches in Tennessee history; and

WHEREAS, Coach Plummer has led his soccer teams to two State championships, in 1989 and 1998, three State runner-up finishes, and five State final four appearances; moreover, he has amassed an incredible record of twenty-seven combined State tournament appearances, eighteen combined District championships, and twenty-one combined Region championships, with three of his former players having been named All-American; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to developing young local soccer players, Coach Plummer has served nineteen consecutive years as the director of the Sumner County Soccer Camp; and

WHEREAS, he led the charge of the Hendersonville High School Soccer Booster Club, in cooperation with the Hendersonville Parks Department, to build a "Field of Dreams," Sumner County's first soccer-specific stadium; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Indiana University, Russ Plummer formerly taught United States History and Leadership Development, and he currently teaches Physical Education, Wellness, and Strength and Conditioning at Hendersonville High School; and

WHEREAS, Coach Plummer achieved his remarkable 500th career victory as the Head Coach of Hendersonville's boys' and girls' varsity soccer teams on May 2, 2006, winning by a score of 9-1 against Mt. Juliet; he will be honored for his remarkable achievement at the soccer banquet scheduled for June 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Russ Plummer is grateful to share both love and companionship with his wife, Denise; they are the proud parents of daughter, Kelsey, and son, Joey; and

WHEREAS, Coach Plummer is a mentor and friend who motivates his players to believe in themselves and their teammates every time they take the field; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is especially proud to pause in its deliberations to recognize this esteemed Tennessean for his extraordinary accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Russ Plummer upon posting his 500th career victory, all of them won as the head coach of the boys' and girls' varsity soccer teams at Hendersonville High School, and extend to him our heartfelt wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.